

**DRAFT RECOMMENDATIONS  
of the  
COMMUNITY DIALOG ON TRANSPORTATION & LAND USE**

**Transportation & Land Use Planning**

**Modes of Transportation**

Prioritize expansion of the mass transit systems (buses, light and heavy rail) to reflect a spider web in Fairfax County.

Create dedicated bus lanes on the beltway and other major routes.

Provide dedicated vans/buses from neighborhoods to Metro and VRE to relieve parking demands and provide greater convenience to transit riders.

Legitimize the slug system by providing convenient locations and bus connections.

Expand and connect bicycle commuter trails, especially north-south trails.

Build a by-pass that will divert the I-95 north/south traffic outside the D.C. metro area.

Create more north/south routes to connect the heavy residential areas in the south with the heavy business concentration in the north of Fairfax County.

**Tools for Transportation**

Implement Intelligent Transportation Systems that will adjust traffic controls to optimize the flow of traffic on the existing roadways.

Improve bus coordination; e.g., 3 buses traveling bumper-to-bumper on the same route

Address bottleneck locations/situations by extending turning lanes, widening roads, synchronizing lights.

Require developers to install sidewalks or asphalt trails, don't put money in a trust or escrow fund and provide off-site improvements to connect to transit; provide a tax subsidy incentive.

Continue adequate, high-quality maintenance of transportation infrastructure.

### **Land Use**

Sponsor regional, joint-planning sessions with developers, residents and state & local government.

Protect watershed areas from development; purchase environmentally sensitive lands contiguous to parkland.

### **Policy**

Require VDOT to base the future planning and improvements on the growth and commuter patterns as projected by the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments.

Defer control over the transportation trust fund to Fairfax County and allow NVTa to address Northern Virginia traffic problems.

### **Education**

Educate citizens on mass transit options to increase use of the mass transit system.

Update citizens on VDOT projects, planning and construction to demonstrate added value and benefits to citizens.